# WOODCROFTWEEKLY

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### New on the website

Lots to look out for on our website:

- Reception Admissions 2020
- Secondary Transfer 2020

### **Forthcoming Events**

### October is **Black History Month**

08/10 - Parents Evening (4:00 -7:00)

08/10 - Boccia Tournament

08/10 - Food Tasting Evening

09/10 - Harvest Coin

Collection

10/10 - Parents Evening (4:00 -6:00)

10/10 - Year2 Music Festival

11/10 - Harvest Basket Display

in Main Hall after school

14/10 Woodcroft Hosts

Europoean teachers

Conference part 2!

16/10 International Day

17/10 Governor Nominations Deadline

21/10 to 25/10 is Term

### **Twitter**



### **PSHE Theme**

In school we are thinking about:

> **Black History** Month





**Sticker Count** Total so far .... Our target is 300

118



Italy Romania Portugal

Belgium

### **European Teachers Visit Woodcroft**



Woodcroft hosted an education training conference this week BeHaue for 25 teachers from across Europe. The teachers from Italy, Portugal, Belgium and Romania studied alongside Woodcroft staff learning about teaching methods and also English schools.

They also visited classes and enjoyed a wonderful school 'roast' dinner for lunch on their final day. We will also be hosting a second group of 25 Eurpoean teachers for 3 days from Monday 14th October.



### Nasal Flu Spray Programme

Parents and carers will soon be receiving a letter about this year's nasal flu spray programme. This will involve ALL children from Reception up to Year 6. A team of NHS Community Nurses will be in school on 12th November 2019 to administer the spray. This is a very simple and painless vaccine to receive. Consent forms will be sent out on Monday. It is essential that these are returned by 29th October

Find more at .. <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/child-flu-vaccine/">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/child-flu-vaccine/</a>

### Food Tasting Event - Tuesday 8th October from 3.30pm



Our school meals provider, ISS Catering, will be hosting a special food tasting event on Tuesday 8th October from 3.30pm until 6.00pm. You will



be able to sample a selection of dishes

from our new lunch menus. Please pop along to their stand in the main foyer to try some dishes and to chat about school meals.



Take part in this weekend's Battle of the Bands Year 3 vs Year 4 Year 5 vs Year 6

Times tables battles commence at 3.15pm on Friday 4th October!

### **Book Trust - Time to Read Campaign for Reception Pupils**

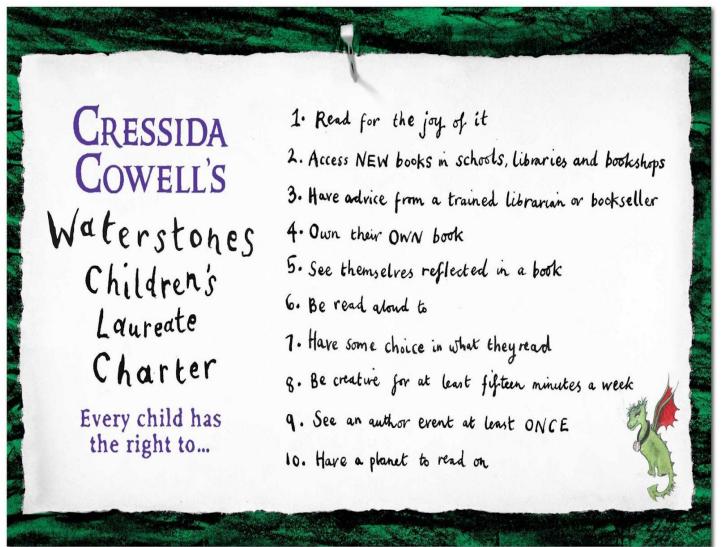
Every pupil in Reception has received a free copy of a fantastic book. This is part of the Book Trust's 'Time to Read' campaign. We encourage parents to read with their child **EVERY** day! For younger pupils that means reading together - for older pupils you might ask them questions about what they have read. It is vital that daily opportunities for reading are found in all families. We as children and adults to record their reading progress in Home Link Books.



### Author Cressida Cowell is the Children's Laureate for 2019-21.

The role of Children's Laureate is awarded once every two years to an eminent writer of children's books to celebrate outstanding achievement in their field. Cressida Cowell is the number one bestselling author. In the words of Cressida Cowell; 'Books are transformative because of their unique ability to develop three key magical powers: intelligence, creativity and, most important of all, empathy. Words are power; let's take magic seriously.'

Cressida has created a **Reading Charter**! How well do we think we do?.



### **Personal Water Bottles**



It is important that children stay hydrated in school to maximise their learning potential. Woodcroft encourages the regular drinking of water throughout the day. However, we have been asked to clarify the policy on personal water bottles in school.

- 1. Every child should have a water bottle. The school provides water bottles.
- 2. Woodcroft provides bottles that are washed and sanitised in school.
- 3. Children are allowed to bring in their own water bottles from home.
- 4. Personal water bottles should always be named
- 5. Personal water bottles should be brought to school FILLED every day.
- 6. Personal water bottles are TAKEN HOME every day to be washed.

### **TRAVEL** Travel Tokyo - Team of the Week

Have you logged your activity at home and contributed to your classes team total? It is easy to take part - just visit getset.co.uk/travel-tokyo,

find Woodcroft using our post code (HA80QF) and then log the physical activity you do together as a family.

This week's stats show how much the team has increased in the past week. Well done to 2B Powerful Penguins - really showing their power and shooting to the top of the table. The 6G Howling Wolves still have the most hours of activity with an amazing 1534 in total - but other classes are now catching up! Who will top the table next week?

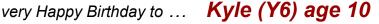
	Team of the Week	Weekly Total	
1	2B POWERFUL PENGUINS	<b>1</b> 496	
2	4G ELECTRIC THUNDER	<b>☆ 372</b>	
3	1H THRONING HORN JURORS	<b>☆ 335</b>	
4	THE HOWLING WOLVES OF 6G	<b>1 254</b>	
5	SOPHISTICATED SPORTY PUPILS OF 6J	₾ 205	
6	THE SPEEDY CHEETAHS OF 2L	<b>178</b>	

		Weekly Total	
7	4B'S DINOSAUR DISNEY TEAM	₾ 145	
8	THE CHUBBY MARSHMALLOWS 5M	₾ 103	
9	1CP ROLLING TORNADOES	₾ 35	
10	DIVING DOLPHINS OF 3V	<b>1</b> 28	
11	THE NO DRAMA LLAMAS OF 5R	₾ 27	
12	3H FIRESTRIKE	₾ 20	



### The Birthday Book Club

Thank you to all of the pupils who have enjoyed recent birthdays and joined the Birthday Book Club by donating books for the Library. We would like to wish a





Whole School Attendance **⇒** 96%∈ Aiming for 96% **Weekly Class Attendance Champions** 

Week Beginning 23rd September 2019

KS1 Class of the week: 2B 98.6 % Well Done!

KS2 Class of the week: 3V 99.3% Top Class - Keep it up!

### **Secondary Transfer Information for Y6 Families**

Can we remind all our Year 6 families that the secondary admissions process is now open. Information packs were distributed at meetings last term, but can also be downloaded from our website.



https://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/secondary-transfer-2020/

### Secondary Transfer Admissions Support Sessions

Mr Tallon, Headteacher, is available to support any families complete the online forms at the following times. Please inform the school office if you are planning to attend a session.

- Wednesday 16th October from 8.45am 9.15am
- Thursday 17th October from 8.45am 9.15am and 3.00pm 3.30pm

### **Parent Governors Needed**

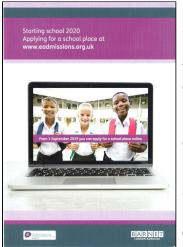


We need two parents to join our Governing Body! Parents are a vital part of our Governing Body. You do not require any particular skills or experience; just an interest in school and desire to

Letters were sent out this week and forms can be

collected from the school office. Please come and have a chat with Mr Tallon if you involves. what this interesting role want to find out more about

### **Meeting for Nursery Parents on 6th November**



Starting 'full time' school is an exciting time for both parents and children. Parents of Nursery age children should now be thinking about applying for your child's Reception class place for next year. Generally, this will be children born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016.

Mr Tallon, Headteacher, will be holding meetings for parents at 9.00am and 12.00pm on Wednesday 6th November to discuss the application process.

Online applications are now open and all pupils need to apply by Wednesday 15th January 2020. Please remember that attendance at our Nursery is not a guarantee of a place.

## CANCER SUPPORT

MACMILLAN We raised £173.00 Thank You!

<u>Upcoming Events</u>

Harvest Coins - wednesday 9th October: Bring in some loose change for our Age UK collection. This year we are attempting to make the longest line ever! Harvest Hampers - Friday 11th October: Please Donate an item of food for your class harvest hamper box. Parents can see the display at 3.15pm in the main hall. International Colours Day - wednesday 16th October Wear national dress or the colours of your national flag to school. We also ask that parents provide a tray of cakes for our sale in the afternoon.



We shall be making our annual Harvest collection next week when we ask families to make a donation of food and coins to support those in need within our local community. The children will be celebrating with a Harvest Assembly on Friday 11th October. This is not a performance, so parents will not be attending, however we depend on your support.

### **Class Hampers**



Each class will also be **collecting food** to make a **class hamper**. Children are asked to bring in **canned or dried food** that they will put into their special class hamper. This will then be decorated in the classroom and displayed in Friday's assembly. The **Harvest Hamper display** will be left for parents to view in the main hall after school on Friday at 3:15pm.

### **Coin Collection**



We shall also be creating a 'coin-line' on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October, using the coins donated from each class for this display. The proceeds from our coin collection will be supporting the local charity 'Barnet Age UK'.

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### \*\*Please bring in coins on Wednesday 9th October to add to our line\*\*



If you would like to **nominate** a person from our community who you think would benefit from a food parcel, then please could you complete a nomination form, from the office. We would also ask you to deliver the food parcel with your child. The remaining food hampers will be distributed to Barnet Age UK.

Thank you for your support.

# PROTECT YOUR FAMILY.

**VACCINATE YOUR CHILDREN AGAINST FLU** 



Half of eligible children still weren't vaccinated last year.

Look out for your letter from your GP or School.

It's Free, Safe & Painless

